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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT

Handling of TALENT Photography

## 1. Purpose

This memorandum is to outline our current procedures in the handling of TALENT photography and the reasons for such handling in the preliminary phases after the arrival of the unprocessed material in the ZI.

## 2. Principles Underlying the Procedures

- a. That the information from the raw materials has been collected in response to the requirements of the US intelligence community on a priority basis and, in addition, insofar as feasible without detriment to the foregoing, in response to departmental requirements.
- b. That the processing and handling of the raw material shall be accomplished with the maximum speed possible within maintenance of high-quality standards.
- c. That the maximum efficiency and speed in the preparation of the preliminary interpretation report through the full participation of the USIB community, along with the simultaneous transmission of that report to the USIB members and the expeditious transmission of the report to relevant overseas posts.
- d. That one department seeking to scoop other departments with TALENT information will most likely, in the long run, be detrimental to the interests of the intelligence community.

## 3. Procedures

In trying to act upon the foregoing principles and to achieve the objectives implicit in them, the TALENT Control Officer, CIA, through the ARC and with the full cooperation of DPD and PIC, has:

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processing and distribution of duplicate positives and negatives from taking into account the thus far exceptional circumstances when the true a Mission. These schedules have been agreed.

- b. Provided a forum for the review of the procedures established by PIC in keeping with the foregoing principles. Over the years the procedures of PIC to ensure the full participation of the community in the preliminary readout have progressed to its highest state as of the readout of 8009.
- c. Arranged for the prompt and equal access of the agencies to all intelligence information derived from a Mission, whether photographic, electronic or pilot debriefings.

## 4. Proposals

a. That during the preliminary interpretation at PIC by the community, only personnel required for that immediate task be allowed in PIC.

b. That no information be transmitted from PIC through briefings, telephone calls or written memoranda bearing upon the substance of the interpretation until the ODE is produced, unless information has been uncovered deemed critical by the agencies participating required to the control of the referred to the control of the control

That as soon as briefing boards are available on highlights (which is likely to occur prior to the publication of the ODE), the DD/I's Office should take responsibility for calling together the USIB at a Special Meeting for a briefing to be presented by the Director, PIC, with briefing representatives available from each agency participating in the readout, such briefing to include an operational briefing by the Acting Chief, DPD.

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